

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 95-1072-C - ORDER NO. 2002-208
MARCH 20, 2002

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| IN RE: | Application of CenturyTel |) | ORDER CANCELLING | /sw |
| | Telecommunications, Inc. for a Certificate of |) | CERTIFICATE AND | |
| | Public Convenience and Necessity to Provide |) | WITHDRAWING TARIFF | |
| | Intrastate Resold and Operator Assisted |) | | |
| | Telecommunications Service within the State |) | | |
| | of South Carolina. |) | | |

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the "Commission") on the request of CenturyTel Telecommunications, Inc. ("CenturyTel" or the "Company") to cancel its Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide intrastate resold telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina and to withdraw its applicable tariff.

By letter dated February 11, 2002, CenturyTel, through its consultant, advised the Commission that CenturyTel was requesting cancellation of its Certificate to operate as a reseller of intrastate telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina and withdrawal of the Company's tariff. CenturyTel's authority to provide resold telecommunications services was granted by Order No. 96-465 issued July 11, 1996, in the Company's former name of Century Telecommunications, Inc. Thereafter, Order No. 98-760 was issued on October 2, 1998, which granted a name change to the Company's present name of CenturyTel Telecommunications, Inc.

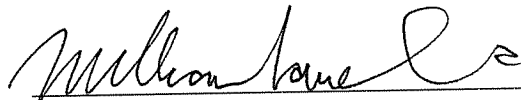
As reasoning for its request, CenturyTel states that the Company no longer has any customers in South Carolina and has ceased its operations for offering telecommunications services in the State.

As CenturyTel, by its own acknowledgment, no longer provides the services for which its Certificate was granted, the Commission finds and concludes that CenturyTel's request to cancel its Certificate and to withdraw its tariff should be granted.

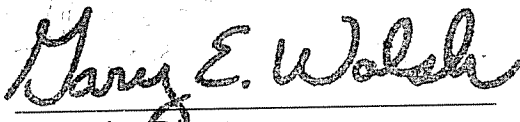
IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity to provide intrastate resold telecommunications services within the State of South Carolina authorized by Order No. 96-465, dated July 11, 1996, issued to CenturyTel Telecommunications, Inc. f/k/a Century Telecommunications, Inc. in Docket Number 95-1072-C is hereby cancelled, and the tariff filed by the Company is withdrawn.

2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director
(SEAL)